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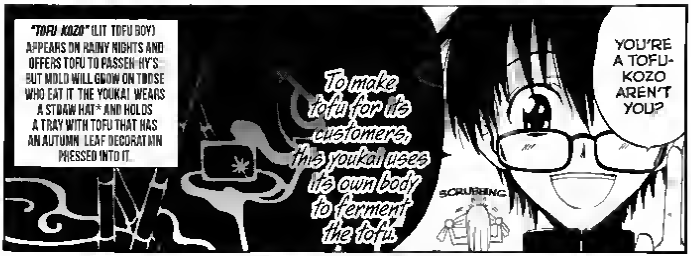
WEL-COME!
GOKOKUJI! IT'S HERE! THIS TOFU SHOP IS REALLY GOOD!
Wow!
IF YOU REALLY WANT TO ENJOY THE ART OF MAKING TOFU, YOU HAVE TO COME TO THIS SHOP!
Naka Mart
Welcome to our shop, dear customers.
Please try our newest tofu recipe!
POKE OUT
Wow!
CHOMP
KASUGA, PLEASE TRY IT!
I'm not going to hold back
YOU DON'T WANT TO TRY IT, GOKOKUJI?
TOFU IS REALLY HEALTHY, YOU KNOW?
THANK YOU VERY MUCH!
I REALLY LIKE TOFU!

SFX: SHOCK

TL/N: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Tōfu-kozō

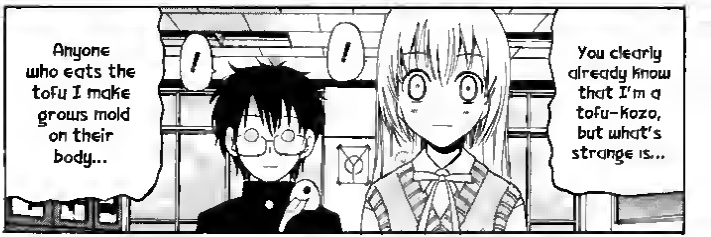

TOFU KOZO (LIT. TOFU BOY) APPEARS ON RAINY NIGHTS AND OFFERS TOFU TO PASSERS-BY'S. BUT MOLD WILL GROW ON THOSE WHO EAT IT. THE YOUKAI WEARS A STRAW HAT* AND HOLDS A TRAY WITH TOFU THAT HAS AN AUTUMN LEAF DECORATION PRESSED INTO IT.
To make tofu for its customers, this youkai uses its own body to ferment the tofu.
YOU'RE A TOFU-KOZO AREN'T YOU?
SCRUBBING

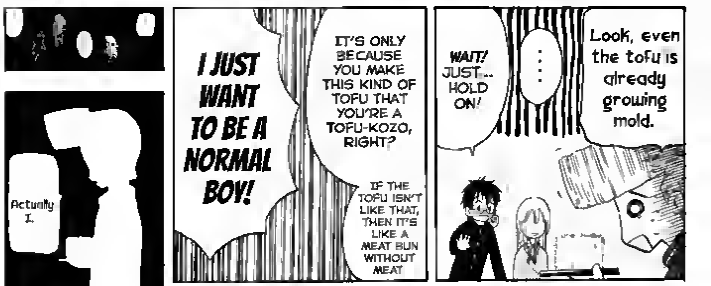
*TL/N: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Kasa_(hat) || https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Acer_palmatum

SFX: WHOAA

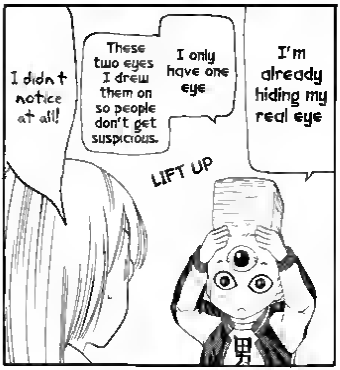
The next day
WHY DOES THIS TOFU DISH MAKE THE TEACHER ANGRY, KASUGA?!
THIS IS REALLY GOOD!
ARE YOU TRYING TO PICK A FIGHT?
YOU'RE THE ONE WHO PUT NATTO IN IT! THAT'S WHAT MAKES IT BAD!
CHEWING...
CHEWING...
AND IT'S ME WHO'S BEING PUNISHED AND NOW I HAVE TO CLEAN UP..!
BECAUSE YOU PUT MANDRAKE IN THERE ...
SFX: RATTLE
Hello...
!
IT'S TOFU -KOZO
OH!
FROM... YESTER-DAY...
WARMED
AH!
I'M SORRY! YOU DON'T HAVE TO BOW...
YOU MADE HIM CRY
.....
I'M... WE'RE NOT GOING TO EAT IT!
THAT TOFU!
WHIRL
WHEEL
SFX: FWAP

I beg you...
...PLEASE CURE ME!


Anyone who eats the tofu I make grows mold on their body...
You clearly already know that I'm a tofu-kozo, but what's strange is...


Actually I.
I JUST WANT TO BE A NORMAL BOY!
IT'S ONLY BECAUSE YOU MAKE THIS KIND OF TOFU THAT YOU'RE A TOFU-KOZO, RIGHT?
IF THE TOFU ISN'T LIKE THAT, THEN IT'S LIKE A MEAT BUN WITHOUT MEAT.
WAIT! JUST... HOLD ON!
Look, even the tofu is already growing mold.

In that human tofu shop...
The owner takes really good care of me.


I didn't notice at all!
These two eyes I drew them on so people don't get suspicious.
I only have one eye
I'm already hiding my real eye
LIFT UP

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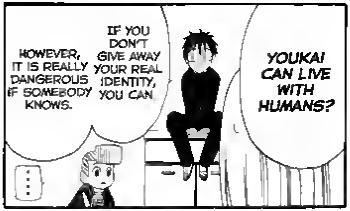
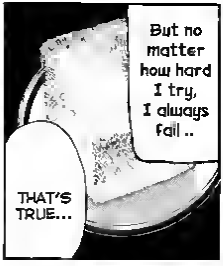
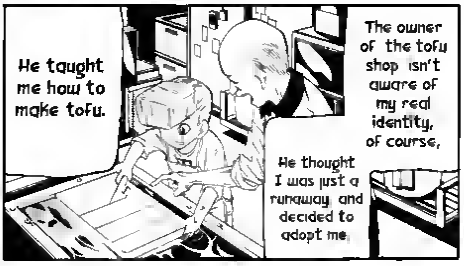
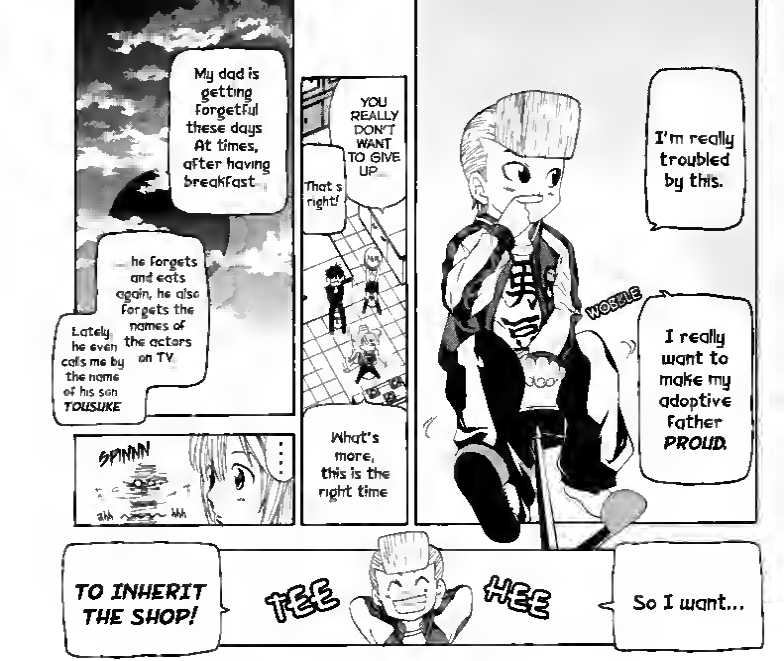

YOUKAI CAN LIVE WITH HUMANS?
IF YOU DON'T GIVE AWAY YOUR REAL IDENTITY, YOU CAN.
HOWEVER, IT IS REALLY DANGEROUS IF SOMEBODY KNOWS.


But no matter how hard I try, I always fail ..
THAT'S TRUE...

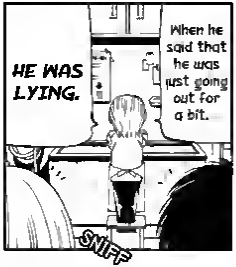

He taught me how to make tofu.
The owner of the tofu shop isn't aware of my real identity, of course,
He thought I was just a runaway and decided to adopt me.


My dad is getting forgetful these days At times, after having breakfast
he forgets and eats again, he also forgets the names of the actors on TV.
Lately, he even calls me by the name of his son TOUSUKE
SPINNN
YOU REALLY DON'T WANT TO GIVE UP
That's right!
What's more, this is the right time
I'm really troubled by this.
WOBBLE
I really want to make my adoptive father PROUD.
So I want...
HEE
HEE
TO INHERIT THE SHOP!

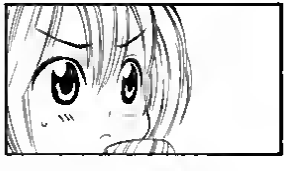
YOU THINK YOU CAN INHERIT MY SHOP LIKE THAT?
YOU'RE AN IDIOT, TOUSUKE!

OUCH!
SFX SLAP
HELLO!
Doctor, you're here!
ARE YOU BEING ABUSED?
IS HE REALLY WEAKENING?
I'm sorry, Dad!
YOU IDIOT!
YOU PUT IN THE WRONG AMOUNT OF SALT!
Oh!
YES!
I'M GOING SOMEWHERE FOR A BIT.
Practice and clean up properly after okay?
HMM.
I CAN'T PROMISE, BUT...
Is it possible that before he comes back ...I can learn how to make tofu properly?
My dad is going to go on a trip for a month.
What do you mean by "abused"?
Is it spicy?

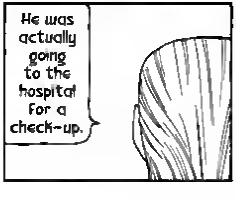
WE CAN GIVE IT A SHOT!
SFX: TA DA


HE WAS LYING.
When he said that he was just going out for a bit.
SNIFF

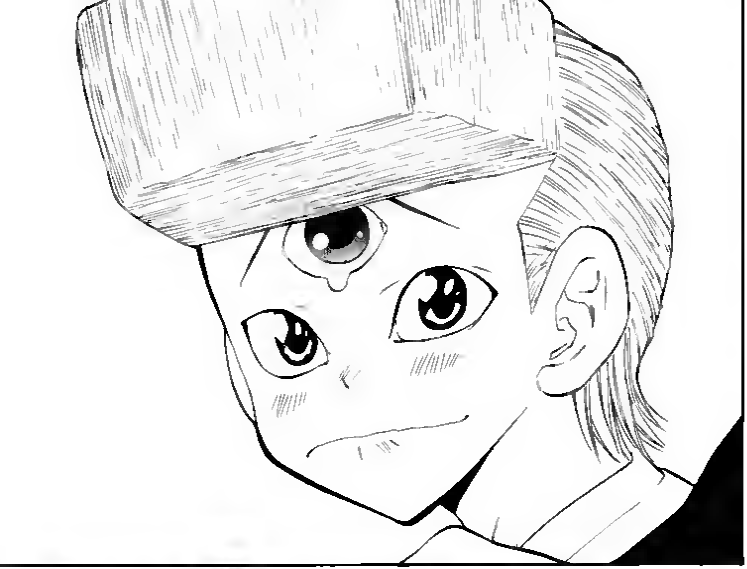
KASUGA, THE WATER IS BOILING!
LEAVING HIS SON HOME ALONE LIKE THAT, TO GO WANDERING AROUND...
It's not like that!
munch munch
BOILING

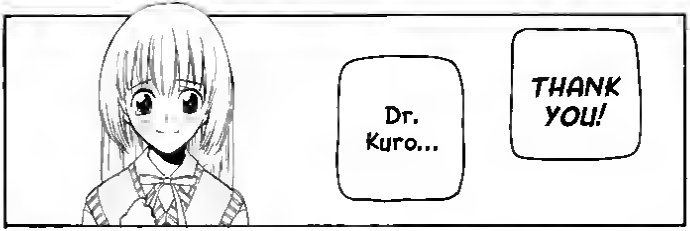


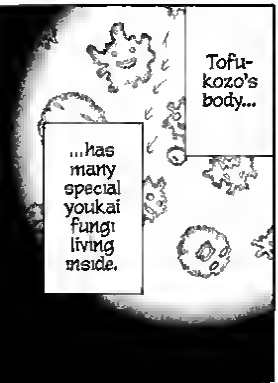
SO, IS YOUR ADOPTIVE DAD REALLY STRICT?
YOUR RELATION-SHIP DOESN'T SEEM VERY GOOD
MAYBE IT'S ABOUT HIS REAL SON, TOU-SUKE
boil
boil
boil


He was actually going to the hospital for a check-up.

...
Actually Tousuke ...
his son...
...PASSED AWAY A LONG TIME AGO.
...
His illness is getting worse...
So his "trip"...
...must be to get an operation.
Ha ha..
My dad and I...
...father and son lying to each other...
...both bottling up their true feelings.
drip
drip
I quickly want to show him that he doesn't have to worry about me...
...so I...
Dad might not have much time left himself...
LET'S MAKE...
DON'T WORRY!
THE BEST TOFU IN JAPAN!
TAP




THANK YOU!
Dr. Kuro...


Tofu-kozo's body...
...has many special youkai fungi living inside.

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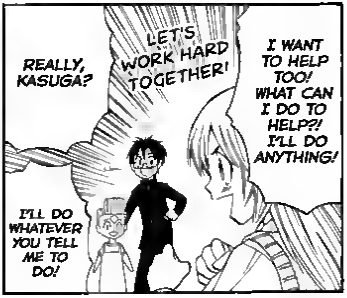
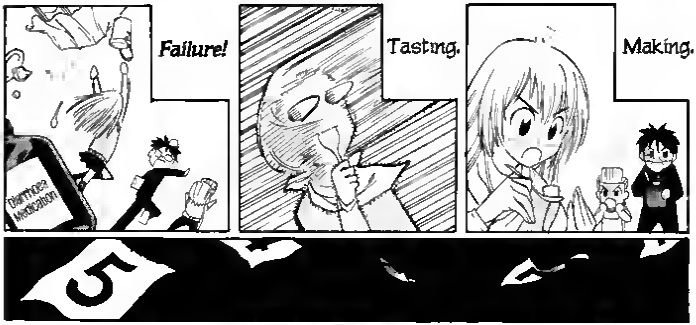
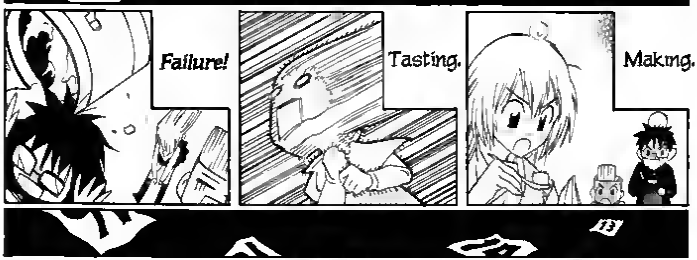

I WANT TO HELP TOO! WHAT CAN I DO TO HELP?! I'LL DO ANYTHING!
LET'S WORK HARD TOGETHER!
REALLY, KASUGA?
I'LL DO WHATEVER YOU TELL ME TO DO!

Looking for solutions.
Re-search-ing.
GUINEA PIG
...making them grow mold.
These fungi react with the soy milk and salt...


Failure!
Tasting.
Making.


Failure!
Tasting.
Making.

Failure!
Tasting.
Making.
!!

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WE CAN'T...
MILK! THAT'S RIGHT!
...milk...
WAIT! Tofu... Breast...
In your dreams!
CAN I TOUCH YOU FOR A BIT?
MAYBE I CAN FIND SOME INSPIRATION.
I REALLY DON'T LIKE THIS SOFT FEELING!
AARGH... THEY'RE CLEARLY ALL WHITE AND SOFT...
KASUGA.
THE TOFU STILL GOES SOUR.
HAA
NO MATTER WHAT WE TRY...

JUST A BIT MORE, TOUSUKE!
I CAN DEFINITELY HELP YOU!
Dad...
!
...
Dad!
DIDN'T I TELL YOU TO WATCH OVER THE SHOP?
WHY ARE YOU HERE?
TOUS-UKE!

?!
LOOK...
SFX: OPEN
Gulp
Dad, try it! Try it, dad!
WHY DOES THIS TOFU HAVE A GREEN COLOUR?
This is weird
TOUSUKE, DID YOU MAKE IT?
CHEW CHEW
...

Delicious!
RUSTLE
!
SON.
!!
CAR
ESS
YOU DID VERY WELL! TOUSUKE!
THAT'S MY SON!

I...
Sniff
Sniff
I...
I...
IT'S ONLY BECAUSE I THOUGHT ABOUT MILK THAT I FOUND A SOLUTION
IT'S ALL THANKS TO YOU, KASUGA.
IT TURNED OUT TO BE A SUCCESS!
You're a genius Gekokuji!
I TOOK INSPIRATION FROM IT INSTEAD OF TRYING TO REMOVE THE MOLD, I FOUND A WAY TO MAKE IT PART OF THE TOFU.
DO YOU KNOW ABOUT THE BLUE MOLD THAT GROWS ON BLUE CHEESE?
And to become a HUMAN SON.
TEE HEE
Thank you, Dr. Kuro!
I will try my best to inherit the tofu shop.
DR. KURO! WAIT!
STEP
STEP
STEP
Dr. Kuro!

BECAUSE YOUR DAD HAS ALREADY REALIZED...
THAT YOU'RE A YOUKAI!
TOUSUKE, I DON'T THINK THAT'S VERY IMPORTANT.
Oh?
BECAUSE...
OH?
HE HAS ALREADY KNOWN WHO YOU ARE FOR A LONG TIME.
AH!
Then... what do I do?
BEFORE, WHEN HE WAS LOOKING AT THE WINDOW, HE DID NOT SEE YOUR REFLECTION
...BUT HE DIDN'T SEEM SURPRISED IN THE SLIGHTEST.

IT DOESN'T MATTER AT ALL!
HE DOESN'T CARE WHETHER YOU'RE A HUMAN OR A YOUKAI
BUT HE...
NOR DOES HE WANT TO SEE YOU AS A REPLACEMENT FOR HIS OLD SON
REALLY LOVES YOU!
But he...
really loves you!

Aren't you lonely just standing there all the time?
I'll teach you!
Kiddo, is that tofu?
Come here!
Dumb kid, just come here when I tell you to!
I'll teach you how to make real tofu!
Thank you, Dr. Kuro...
...
DAD...
THANK YOU...

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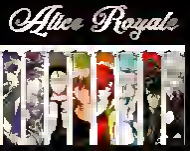

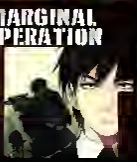

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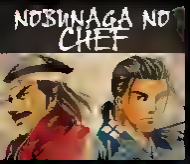

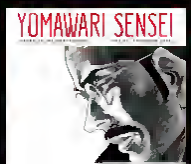

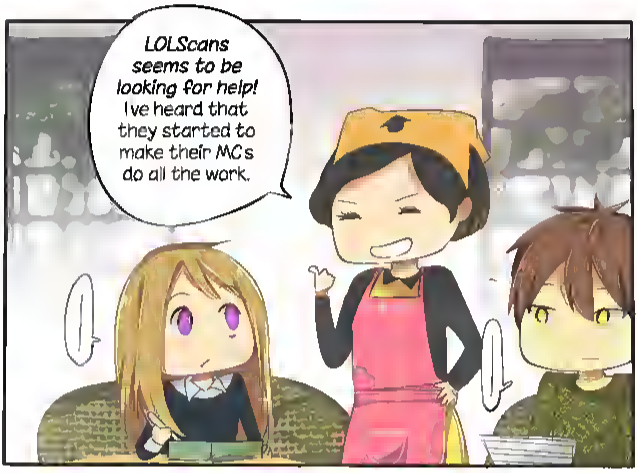

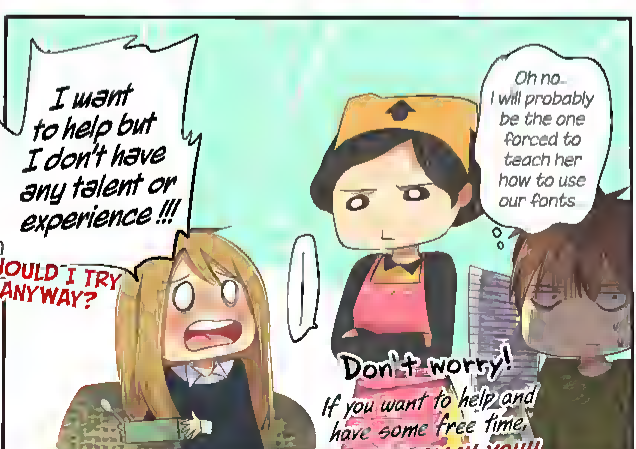
I want to help but I don't have any talent or experience !!!
SHOULD I TRY ANYWAY?
Oh no... I will probably be the one forced to teach her how to use our fonts
Don't worry!
If you want to help and have some free time,
WE CAN TEACH YOU!!!

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